

## HUERTA, HUMORIST, ASSURES SAFETY

LONDON, April 23.—A dispatch to the Daily Chronicle from President Huerta through the foreign minister, Señor Portillo y Rojas, says:

"The Mexican government is prepared to protect fully now and in the event of an armed conflict with the United States the lives and property of all foreigners, including those of American citizens."

## Railroad Porters Form Organization

Chicago, Ill., March 31, 1914.

Mr. Colored Train Porters:

Dear Sirs—The principles of free governments adheres to the American soil, it is bedded in it; immovable as its mountains, and let the sacred obligations which have devolved on this generation, and on us, sink deep into our hearts, those daily dropping from among us, who established our liberty and our government, the great Trust now descends to new hands, let us apply ourselves to that which is presented to us, as our appropriate object. We can win no laurels in a war with road companies. Earlier and worthier hands have gathered them all. Nor are there places for us by the side of President Wilson and Bryan, our fathers could not have filled them. But there remains to us a great duty of defense and preservation; and there is opened to us, also, a noble pursuit, to which the spirit of the times strongly invites us. Our proper business is improvement. Let our age be the Age of Improvement, in a day of peace, let us advance the arts of peace and the work of peace, let us develop the Brotherhood of Railroad Train Porters of America as strong as we can into a great body. Call forth its powers, build up an institution, promote all its great interests, and see whether we also in our day and generation, may not perform some thing worthy to be remembered. Let us cultivate a true spirit of union and harmony in pursuing the great objects, which our condition points out to us, let us act under a settled conviction, and an habitual feeling, let our conceptions be enlarged to the circle of our duties, let us extend our ideas over the whole United States and Canada, in which we are called to act, let our objects be, our organization, our whole organization, and nothing but the Brotherhood of Railroad Train Porters of America, and, by the blessing of God, may the Brotherhood of Railroad Train Porters of America, itself become a vast and splendid monument, not of oppression and terror, but of wisdom, of peace, and of liberty, upon which the world may gaze, with admiration for ever.

Secretary R. H. Oliver, 4904 State St., Chicago, is now receiving application for membership. Fees are \$2.50. It does not matter where you reside, anyone 21 years of age and of good character can become a member.

Yours truly,

JOHN R. WINSTON,  
Grand Organizer and Corresponding Secretary, 4015 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago.

## TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

The next quarterly examination for teachers' certificates will be held in the office of County Superintendent, April 23, 24 and 25, beginning at 7:45 a. m.

Teachers applying for a first grade certificate who desire a state certificate, may have their papers forwarded, together with a fee of two dollars, to the State Superintendent for grading.

H. D. MAXWELL,  
County Superintendent.

## RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATES

The Attorney General holds that in order to have a certificate, issued before the new law went into effect, renewed at the present time for a term for which it was originally issued it is only necessary for a teacher to conform to the requirements of section 197 of the 1913 School Laws.

A new enterprise has started in the East End under the firm name of Wright & Davis. They are located in the Cleaver-Cherry building on North Greenwood. Their stock in trade is groceries, fresh meats, new and second hand furniture and general repairing.

PAUL LAWRENCE DUNBAR.

[High School Contest]

Paul Lawrence Dunbar was born in Dayton, Ohio, 1872. Matilda Dunbar, his mother, was a slave. Paul Dunbar was a genius. At the age of seven years he wrote his first verse. It was a child's poem, but even then the flickerings of a great talent were apparent. At school he was a diligent pupil, his favorite studies being spelling, grammar and literature. When in high school he edited The High School Times, a monthly publication issued by pupils of the Steele High School. This work was done with so much tact and evinced such extraordinary talent that many an older head predicted the boy's future renown. He graduated from high school in 1891, and the class song composed by him was sung at the commencement exercises. After he graduated he sought regular work but on every hand his color told against him and at last he was compelled to accept a position as elevator boy in a hotel. Every moment that could be snatched from his busy hours was utilized in improving his brilliant mind. The best thing he wrote in those days were the poems which were couched in classic English, and the production of such verses proved far more than his dialect the remarkable scope of his mentality.

In 1892, when the Western Association met at Dayton, Ohio, Mrs. Truesdale, one of Dunbar's former teachers, brought about an invitation for him to deliver the address of welcome. After having delivered the welcome he disappeared as quickly as he came. Many inquiries were made concerning the address. He was later made a member of the Association. Several of Dunbar's poems were reproduced. Among these was his "Drowsy Day." At the West End Club at Toledo, Ohio, he recited "An Ode to Ethiopia." Dunbar went to Chicago at the opening of the World's Columbian Exposition, where he was given a position by Hon. Fred Douglass, then in charge of the exhibit from Hayti.

On "Colored Folks Day" at the fair Paul Dunbar was called upon to render several selections before thousands of his people. The verses were greatly appreciated, but when it was announced by an Episcopal clergyman from Washington, D. C., that the compositions were original, the applause was deafening. In the autumn of 1895 Dr. Tobey, a great friend of Dunbar's sent a second invitation to Dunbar to come to Toledo to give a special reading at the Asylum.

At this second recital Dunbar read many poems which were new to his Toledo friends. He also wrote "Majors and Minors," and "The Crisis." He was a guest at a banquet given by the great Savage club of London, where he was asked to recite, and after the first number he was lifted bodily to the table, and enthusiastically endorsed. At an entertainment at the Southplace Institute, Dunbar recited some poems. The pieces selected were from the "Lyrics of Lowly Life," one of these "When Malindy Sings," being an artistic blending of drollery and pathos. Another "Accountability." He died February 9th, 1906 at Albany, N. Y.

ETTA KIDD.

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## CHICAGO MAN PRAISES THE STAR

The editor is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Geo. Rogers, a resident of Chicago, praising the Star. Mr. Rogers is in the Pullman service from Chicago to Portland, Oregon. He is a brother to Bob Rogers owner of the Peoples' Theatre of this city. He has been in the Pullman service for some time and is said to be making good.

## Creek County School Meet

Sapulpa, Okla.,

April 24 1914.

The Creek county school meet held a session here April 19, which was replete with enthusiasm and attracted considerable attention. A large number of teachers and pupils were present and quite a bit of interest was shown in the work of the organization. The contest in drawing and needlework, ciphering, etc., resulted as follows:

First division, ciphering, Rooter F. Shouls, Bristow; second division, Minnie B. Wolf, Bristow; third division, advanced ciphering, Lucinda Brazier, Sapulpa. Dunbar school Bristow won the prize for drawing, while the Sapulpa school won the prize for needlework. The officers of the organization are T. E. Pete, president; Chas. W. Yates, chairman executive committee, and Mrs. S. L. James, secretary.

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A. J. SMITHERMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of April, 1914.

A. AUGUSTUS GUESS,

(Seal.) Notary Public.  
My commission expires Dec. 13, 1916.



HON. H. A. GUESS

Who welcomed the preachers and ladies to Tulsa on behalf of the city professional men



REV. JAMES A. JOHNSON

Pastor of the Vernon A. M. E. church, this city, who is receiving praises from all sides for his great work here.

## Bristow to Have Bus. League

Bristow, Okla., Apr. 22, 14.

The colored citizens of Bristow are planning a big time for May 2d. The occasion being the organization of a State Negro Business League, to meet the National League at Muskogee in August. A number of prominent colored men from other towns will be here to take part in the organization by delivering animated speeches and encouraging the work such men as Dr. M. H. Wakefield, Dr. R. W. Williams, Jake Roberts, J. H. Hamilton, J. J. James and others are the promoters of the organization. It is expected that every successful farmer around Bristow will be charter members to the branch of this greatest of all Negro organizations.

Within less than two weeks crude oil has decreased twenty cents on the barrel in the Kansas and Oklahoma district, making four distinct drops at five cents a drop. However, it is a noticeable fact that, although the crude product has taken a decided slump with promises of even further decline, the refined product is still sold at the same price with prospects of a slight increase in the near future. Great thing—this monopoly business. Oil is now selling for 85 cents per barrel.

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## Church Dignitaries Meet

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served which showed a deal of care, worry, and expenditure of money. Rev. Johnson, pastor of the Vernon Chapel A. M. E. Church left nothing undone to make the occasion a grand success and he certainly succeeded.

Following are the names of the visiting preachers and the ladies of the Missionary Work:

- Rt. Rev. W. D. Chapelle, DD., LL.D., Columbia S. C.  
W. R. Beamer, P. E., Muskogee, Okla.  
A. J. Washington, Vinita, Okla.  
L. E. Nelson, Ft. Gibson, Okla.  
J. E. Forub, Guthrie, Okla.  
J. S. Dawson, El Reno, Okla.  
L. J. Johnson, Enid, Okla.  
R. J. Patton, DD. P. E., 47 S. 9th St., McAlester, Okla.  
I. H. Hawkins, Chickasha, Okla.  
Rev. T. H. Wiseman and Rev. S. J. Jordan, Shawnee, Okla.  
Dr. C. R. Tucker, Oklahoma, Okla.  
Revs 1—R. M. Perrin, Muskogee, Okla.  
2—J. W. Curry, Eufaula, Okla.  
3—J. E. Williams, Vinita, Okla.  
4—R. L. Green, Boynton, Okla.  
5—J. B. Murphy, McAlester, Okla.  
6—S. L. McCain, Nowata, Okla.  
7—V. B. Brooks, Chelsea, Okla.  
8—A. B. Burnett, Weatherford, Okla.  
9—Dr. M. D. Bookins, Muskogee, Okla.  
10—P. A. Heart, Coweta, Okla.  
11—W. H. Buchanan, Wilberton, Okla.  
12—B. F. Rooks, Heartshorne, Okla.  
13—M. W. Austin, Hugo, Okla.  
14—Noah Moore, Claremore, Okla.  
15—W. C. Watts, S Union Av, Shawnee, Okla.  
16—J. S. Reese, Chickasha, E. Minn., So. 1st, 109.  
17—G. H. Burton, Red Bird, Okla.  
18—J. S. West, Ward St, El Reno, Okla.  
19—T. J. Ross, McAlester, Okla.  
20—G. E. O. Johnson, Ft. Gibson, Okla.  
21—Ruffus McGehee, Vinita, Okla.  
22—G. A. H. Dykes, Muskogee, Okla.  
23—J. N. B. Wall, Bartlesville, Okla.  
24—Dr. W. R. Carcen, Pawnee, Okla.  
25—B. J. Nelson, Claremore, Okla.  
26—James M. Coleman, Baggs, Okla.  
1—Mrs. M. E. Thompson, McAlester, Okla.  
2—Mrs. M. P. Murphy, McAlester, Okla.  
3—Mrs. A. B. Murphy, McAlester, Okla.  
4—Mrs. C. E. Patton, McAlester, Okla.  
5—Mrs. Mary Vann, Weeberfall, Okla.  
6—Mrs. Conerley Moore, Coffeyville, Kans.  
7—Mrs. Maggie Watson, Claremore, Okla.  
8—Mrs. Emma Smith, Eufaula, Okla.  
9—Mrs. Carry Burge, Stroud, Okla.  
10—Mrs. M. L. Johnson, Boley, Okla.  
11—Mrs. Addie King, Wybark, Okla.  
12—Miss Lula, Parker, Red Bird, Okla.  
13—Mrs. Ida White, Wybark, Okla.  
14—Mrs. Bell Paterson, Wybark, Okla.  
15—Mrs. A. M. Campbell, Marietta, Okla.  
16—Miss L. G. White, Marietta, Okla.  
17—Mrs. Nanie E. Smith, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
18—Mrs. B. F. Rooks, Heartshorne, Okla.  
19—Mrs. Ella Wood, Heartshorne, Okla.  
20—Mrs. J. S. Reese, Chickasha, Okla.  
21—Mrs. E. A. Rogers, Wagoner, Okla.  
22—Mrs. C. V. Buchanan, Wilberton, Okla.  
23—Mrs. M. L. Parker, Wagoner, Okla.  
24—Mrs. J. C. Tatum, Tahlequah, Okla.  
25—Mrs. M. L. Bookins, N. Muskogee, Okla.  
26—Mrs. J. H. Templeton, Muskogee, Okla.  
27—Mrs. Eliza Johnson, Vinita, Okla.  
28—Mrs. L. V. Beamer, Muskogee, Okla.  
29—Mrs. Margaret Steward, Bartlesville, Okla.  
30—Mrs. Rosa Lindsay, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
31—Ina Reed, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
32—Amanda Masters, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Mrs. Agnis McGrew, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Ella Humes, Nowata, Okla.  
Miss Mattie Lynch, Vinita, Okla.  
Mrs. Maggie Williams, Vinita, Okla.  
Mrs. L. B. Washington, Howard St, Muskogee, Okla.  
Mrs. A. R. Dobbins, Guthrie, Okla.  
Mrs. M. L. Washington, Guthrie, Okla.  
Rev. A. C. Tucker of Oklahoma City is prominently mentioned as a successful candidate for Bishop two years hence.